Revival of retail outlet dealership of BPCL in Sonepat

2453. SHRI GHUFRAN AZAM: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently revived/reactivated/resumed the retail outlet dealership of BPCL in Sonepat District of Haryana after a period of three decades;

(b) what are the basis/features of the particular requests;

(c) whether the same principle is applicable in all the other similar pending requests; and

(d) what steps are being taken by Government to avoid discrimination?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPTAIN SATISH SHARMA): (a) and (b) Government has revived a retail outlet of BPCL in Sonepat Distt. of Haryana, which was terminated in Jaunary, 1975, due to acquisition of the site by the PWD for road-widening.

(c) and (d) No discrimination is made by Government. Each case is considered on its merit.

पत्तनों के कार्यदक्षता बढ़ाने के लिए निजी क्षेत्रों की भागीदारी

2454. **श्री राम जेठमलानी:**
श्रीमती सुषमा स्वराज:

क्या **जल-भूतल परिवहन** मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या सरकार ने देश के पत्तनों की वर्तमान कार्यक्षमता बढ़ाने के लिए निजी क्षेत्र को भागीदार बनाने के संबंध में निर्णय लिया है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो अक्तूबर, 1995 के अंत तक सरकार को कुल कितनी पूंजी निवेश के संबंध में प्रस्ताव प्राप्त हुए हैं;

(ग) सरकार ने कितने प्रस्तावों को स्वीकृत किया है तथा इनमें कितनी पूंजी निवेश शामिल होने का अनुमान है; और

(घ) उन प्रस्तावित परियोजनाओं पर कितनी धनराशि का निवेश होने की संभावना है जिन पर अभी तक कार्य प्रारम्भ किया जा चुका है तथा प्रत्येक परियोजना के पूर्ण होने की अवधि क्या-क्या है?

जल-भूतल परिवहन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री एम० राजशेखर मूर्ति): (क) जी हां।

(ख) से (घ) उन परियोजनाओं पर निवेश की जाने वाली कुल संभावित राशि लगभग 2500 करोड़ रु० होगी जहां भूमि / तटीय क्षेत्र विभिन्न निजी पार्टियों को पट्टे पर दे दी गई है और संभावना है कि समझौते पर हस्ताक्षर किए जाने की तारीख से तीन वर्ष की अवधि के भीतर सुविधाएं मुहैया करा दी जाएंगी।

Nomination of an MLA as Vice-Chairperson of New Delhi Municipal Council

2455. SHRI O.P. KOHLI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government of Delhi has objected to the nomination of an MLA as Vice-Chairperson of the newly constituted NDMC as he represents only a small portion of NDMC area in the Assembly;

(b) if so, the details of the yardstick applied in the selection of the MLA as the Vice Chairperson of NDMC and the reasons for ignoring such of the MLAs who represent the New Delhi area in full in the Assembly; and

(c) whether there is any proposal to rectify the error that has been committed in the selection of Vice-Chairperson and if not, the justification thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (PROF. M. KAMSON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Section 4(4) of the New Delhi Municipal Council Act, 1994 provides

for nomination of the Vice-Chairperson of the NDMC from amongst the members specified in clauses (b) and (d) of sub-section (1). The Vice-Chairperson has been nominated from among the members specified in clause (b) of sub-section (1) aforesaid. This being so and since all members of the Council are at par, the need for application of any yardstick about extent of representation does not arise.

(c) Does not arise, in view of (b) above.

Findings of NHRC on Uttarakhand Agitation

2456. DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:
SHRI TRILOKI NATH CHATURVEDI:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present status of the investigation by the Investigating Wing the NHRC of the violation of human rights by the Uttar Pradesh Police during the Uttarakhand agitation;

(b) what is the status of cases where person have disappeared in connection with the above agitation and whether NHRC has come to any conclusions; and

(c) what is the status of the cases relating to the rape by police in the Rampur-Tiraha in Muzaffarnagar District on 2nd October, 1994 and whether NHRC have fixed responsibility and recommended any action in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI): (a) to (c) The investigation Team of the National Human Rights Commission visited Uttarakhand from 10 to 15 October, 1994 and received 148 complaints from various quarters including three complaints of police atrocities and molestation in Muzaffarnagar district. The Investigation Team did not visit Rampur-Tiraha in Muzaffarnagar district and did not enquire into the cases pertaining to this district because in the meantime, a Writ Petititon with regard to Uttarakhand agitation was filed in the Allahabad High Court which directed the CBI to investigate into the complaints of violation of human rights by the Uttar Pradesh Police. Since the matter had become sub-jusdice in the High Court of Allahabad, the Commission did not pursue the investigation by its team.

Casual labourers in Tripura Project of ONGC

2457. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether casual labourers working in Tripura project of ONGC are not being regularised as permanent;

(b) whether regularisation move can subdue the tribal insurgency infusing local element in the operations of ONGC;

(c) whether the Ministry propose to intervene in the matter; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM OF NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) to (d) No casual labourers are being engaged by ONGC Ltd., in Tripura Project at present. However, the case of 39 contingent workmen for regularisation is before the concerned Assistant Labour Commissioner (Central) for conciliation.

Norms regarding the delivery of letters

2458. SHRI N. GIRI PRASAD:
SHRI E. BALANANDAN:

Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there are any norms for on time delivery in the Post Office in relation to delivery of (1) local letters (2) letters to and from neighbouring districts (3) letters to be delivered in the same